
Park Conservation District

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April 4, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

USDA Conference Room
5242 US HWY 89 S. Livingston, MT 59047
11:00 a.m.

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81089376414?pwd=d3l6dkdYQy9yaU9oVnJrL042djFwUT09>

Meeting ID: 810 8937 6414

Passcode: 448189

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ned Zimmerman – Chair, DeWitt Dominick, Jamie Lannen, Dustin Homan (acting chair), Martin Davis, Gayleen Malone

NON-BOARD MEMBERS: Ashley Lowrey, SVWG/UYWG Watershed Coordinator; Nate Brown, NRCS; Ted Nelson, NRCS; Buddy Drake, FWP; Scott Opitz, FWP; Ashton Bunce, MFP; Jeannette Blank, Montana Freshwater Partners, Chris Hindoi, Rocky Mountain Insurance

11:05 Call the Regular Park CD Board Meeting to Order – *Dustin Homan – Acting Chairman*

Jeannette Blank, Montana Freshwater Partners: RDGP Grant proposal and Letter of Support discussion. Park County Office of Emergency Management is seeking a letter of support from the Park County Conservation District for a DNRC Reclamation and Development Planning Grant (RDPG) that will be submitted on April 13th. The purpose of this RDPG Planning grant is to update the 2009 Channel Migration Zone (CMZ) map on the Yellowstone River for Park County. Once updated the CMZ map will provide important information about potential high risk erosion zones, avulsion zones and channel migration areas along the Yellowstone which can be used to inform County decisions on future road, utility, and infrastructure projects, as well as emergency flood response planning. The CMZ map updates will lay the foundation for future flood hazard mitigation project planning and implementation, and will position the County to be competitive in future DNRC and FEMA flood recovery related funding. The CMZ map is for local planning purposes and does not affect or trigger any state or federal regulations related to floodplain management or floodplain development.

***Gayleen made motion to support the grant and submit LOS on behalf of the Park CD, Jaime 2nd motion, motion passed 5-0.**

Natural Streambed & Land Preservation Act Applications Inspections/Discussion:

A. PK- 12-23 On Hold – due to heavy snowpack cover

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Bear Creek- Warren Johnson- Jardine Land and Livestock, LLC c/o Ron Burke Gardiner, MT - bury exposed pipeline that carries Jardine mine discharge pipe - diffuser within the channel corridor per MT DEQ compliance requirements.

B. PK-13-23

Yellowstone River, Henry Calanchini LV, riprap bank repair post- 2022 flood impacts. Rock placement should not exceed 3' higher than present water level, work is restricted to toe of present rock blanket.

***Martin made motion to approve with modifications, Gayleen 2nd, motion passed 5-0. Waive 15-day.**

C. PK-14-23

Yellowstone River, Heart K Ranch, Peter Seligmann, bank stabilization – repair of 1,150 feet of riprap upstream from two headgates; Yellowstone and Milligan Ditches. Heart K put the application on hold due to rapidly approaching runoff season.

D. PK-15-23-C

Yellowstone River, Carter Boehm, Ninth St. Island Dr. LV, Form 274 Official Complaint: alleged bank stabilization; riprap, and removal of large woody debris along left embankment and floodplain without a 310 permit.

Determined not a violation. Stockpiled rock but has not actively placed rock or conducted work.

***Jaime made motion that PK-15-23-C is not a violation, Gayleen 2nd, motion passed 5-0.**

Chris Hindoién, Rocky Mountain Insurance Services:

Current coverage with MACO ends June 30th, RMIS minimum quote is \$4020/year

Treasurer's Report and Financial Items

A. Approval of Checks and Financial Reports.

B. Checks:

- a. Payroll
- b. Rosas Pizza
- c. CEM Bookkeeping
- d. Verizon

C. Balance sheets, profit and loss

***Gayleen made motion to approve financial report and checks, Dustin 2nd, motion passed 5-0.**

Minutes Approval – March 2023 Minutes

***Jaime made motion to approve March 2023 minutes, Dewitt 2nd, motion passed 5-0.**

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New Business

- A. CD Bureau report
- B. CD Insurance
- C. CDA Grant, IDG Grant, Admin Grant
- D. Supervisor reimbursement forms

Planning & Development Board Update– *Dustin Homan*

Created new subcommittee to focus on public engagement, will hold 7 meetings in different local communities for outreach.

NRCS Update – *Ted Nelson*

Snow report

New DC Nate Brown

Current hiring clerk

Watershed Business

Upper Yellowstone Watershed Group

- Last meeting: March 2, Emigrant
- Next meeting: June TBD, Emigrant

Shields Valley Watershed Group

- Last meeting: February 13, Wilsall
- Next meeting: TBD, Wilsall

Public Comment None

Adjourn 1:25

NEXT PROPOSED PARK CD MEETING:

May 2, 2023

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